#### **Amendment to the Claims**

1. (Currently Amended) A gaming method, comprising: receiving funds from a player for use on a gaming device;

receiving a credit value selection from the player, wherein the value of each credit is a fractional denomination of standard currency denominations;

converting the funds received from the player into credits <u>corresponding to the</u> <u>selected credit value</u>, <del>wherein each credit has a value less than a smallest denomination for standard currency</del>;

displaying the credits on the gaming device to the player;

receiving a player's wager, wherein the player wager comprises one or more of the credits, and

the player's wager does not have a total value equal to standard currency denominations; and

presenting a game of chance to the player in exchange for the player's wager.

# 2-9 (Canceled)

- 10. (Currently Amended) The gaming method of claim 91, wherein the credits are expressed as decimals.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The gaming method of claim 91, wherein the credits are expressed as fractions.

## 12-14 (Canceled)

- 15. (Previously presented) The gaming method of claim 1, further comprising setting a maximum credit value.
- 16. (Previously presented) The gaming method of claim 1, further comprising setting a minimum credit value.

17. (Previously presented) The gaming method of claim 1, further comprising setting an incremental rate by which the player can increase or decrease the credit value.

18-19 (Canceled)

denomination for standard currency;

20. (Previously presented) A gaming method, comprising: receiving funds from the player for use on a gaming device; receiving player input selecting a credit value that is less than a smallest

determining a number of credits available for wagering based upon both the funds received from the player and the credit value selected by the player;

displaying the credits on the gaming device to the player;

receiving a player's wager, wherein the player's wager comprises one or more credits, and the player's wager does not have a total value equal to standard currency denominations; and

presenting a game of chance to the player in exchange for the player's wager.

21-22 (Canceled)

- 23. (Previously presented) The gaming method of claim 20, further comprising setting a maximum credit value.
- 24. (Previously presented) The gaming method of claim 20, further comprising setting a minimum credit value.

25-28 (Canceled)

29. (Previously presented) The gaming method of claim 20, further comprising scaling a pay table according to the credit value selected by the player.

## 30-32 (Canceled)

- 33. (Currently Amended) A gaming device, comprising:
- a game display adapted to present a game of chance to a player;
- a player input device for <u>selecting a credit value and playing the game, the credit value being less than a smallest denomination for standard currency;</u>
  - a value acceptor configured to accept a voucher having a value from the player;
- a controller in communication with the value acceptor, the controller configured to determine a number of credits available for play by dividing the value of the voucher by the credit value, the credit value being less than a smallest denomination for standard-currency, and

wherein the controller is configured to allow the player to play a game with a wager comprising one or more credits, and the wager does not have a total value equivalent to standard currency denominations; and

a display for presenting the number of available credits.

34-35 (Canceled)

36. (Previously presented) The gaming device of claim 33, wherein the controller is configured to allow a game operator to set a maximum and minimum credit value.

37-38 (Canceled)

- 39. (Previously presented) The gaming device of claim 33, further comprising a voucher printer.
  - 40. (Canceled)
  - 41. (Currently Amended) A gaming device, comprising:
  - a game display configured to present a player with a game of chance;
  - a value acceptor configured to accept funds via a voucher;

an input device configured to allow a player to select a credit value;
the credit value being less than a smallest denomination for associated with a
non-standard currency denomination;

a controller configured to store the credit value selected by the player; and accepting a wager for the game of chance, wherein the wager comprises one or more credits, and the wager does not have a total value equal to standard currency denominations.

## 42. (Canceled)

43. (Previously presented) The gaming device of claim 41, wherein the controller is configured to allow an operator to set a maximum and minimum credit value.

## 44-45 (Canceled)

46. (Previously presented) The gaming device of claim 41, further comprising a display configured to display a number of full and partial credits available for play to the player.

#### 47. (Canceled)

- 48. (Previously presented) The gaming device of claim 33, wherein the standard currency denomination is a coin selected from the group consisting of \$0.0I, \$0.05, \$0.10, \$0.25, and \$1.00.
- 49. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the smallest denomination for standard currency the credit value is a fraction of \$0.01.
- 50. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the standard currency denominations are \$0.01, \$0.05, \$0.10, \$0.25, or \$1.00.

- 51. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 20, wherein the smallest-denomination for standard currency the credit value is a fraction of \$0:01.
- 52. (Previously presented) The method of claim 20, wherein the standard currency denominations are \$0.01, \$0.05, \$0.10, \$0.25, or \$1.00.
- 53. (Currently Amended) The gaming device of claim 33, wherein the smallest denomination for standard currency-the credit value is a fraction of \$0.01.
- 54. (Previously presented) The gaming device of claim 33, wherein the standard currency denominations are \$0.01, \$0.05, \$0.10, \$0.25, or \$1.00.
- 55. (Currently Amended) The gaming device of claim 41, wherein the smallest denomination for standard currency the credit value is a fraction of \$0.01.
- 56. (Previously presented) The gaming device of claim 41, wherein the standard currency denominations are \$0.01, \$0.05, \$0.10, \$0.25, or \$1.00.